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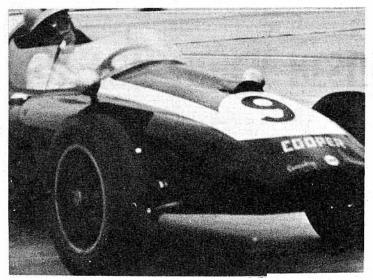
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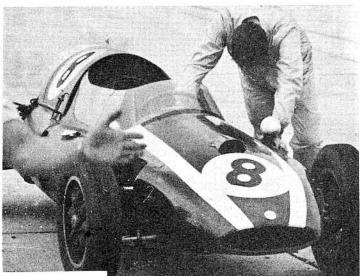
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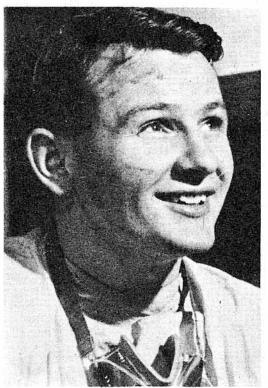
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# First U.S. Grand Prix







# The Winner and The Champion

YOUNG, HANDSOME Bruce McLaren, of Aukland, New Zealand, scores his greatest triumph as he powers his little Cooper-Climax (upper left) to victory in the first U.S. Grand Prix at Sebring, Fla. At left he relaxes with the smile of victory. Upper right: Jack Brabham, of Australia, who led practically all of the race, ran out of gas on the last lap, and here he pushes his Cooper-Climax the last half mile to the finish line. He took fourth, but had already clinched the 1959 World Drivers' Championship. At right, with a cumquat lei draped around his neck, he smiles faintly after his hectic pushing (MOTORACING Photos by Gus V. Vignolle)





- . U.S. GRAND PRIX
- ADIOS, SEBRING
- CHARITY'S CUT

SEBING, Fla., Dec. 12 - What does a rube from the Far West think of Grand Prix racing in general, the first US Grand Prix here in particular, the future of this sport in America, etc., etc.?

Well, draw up a chair and I'll give you some glittering cadenzas to wit:

First of all, get racing out of this little town, which is in the middle of nowhere. The foreign press turnout to this race was fantastic. I talked to a great many veteran motoring writers from all over the world. Unanimously, they could not fathom this Sebring bit.

I can only surmise that Alec Ulmann, the race promoter, must own a lot of real estate here, including all the hotel and eatery concessions.

The lady at the Sebring Hotel, where I had the misfortune of staying, freely admitted rates were doubled on advice of the "hotel association." The squalor here was worse than Forrest Rd., Bombay, India. The cockroaches walked off with two pieces of luggage.

The race was a financial flopand certainly anything but an ar tistic success. They said Ulmann dropped \$30,000, but an insider told me the cagey promoter tapped a number of firms and individuals for the scratch necessary to stage the event and that "he actually

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And a big splash of copy and photos of the Nassau races appears on Page 3. . .

Plus two full pages of photos of the Sebring and Nassau action on Pages 6-7.

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### Ireland 5th; Von Trips 6th

At presstime, the following was received from Sebring Grand Prix racing officials:

"Previous results showed No. 4 Ferrari (von Trips) in fifth place and No. 10 Lotus (Ireland) in sixth place. The final correct positioning of the two cars is now reversed. The Lotus No. 10 finished fifth and the Ferrari No. 4 sixth.

"The International Race Regulations, Article 26, demand that cars be classified for the finish according to the complete number of laps covered. However, if a car takes more than three times that of the fastest lap during the race at Sebring (this was 3 minutes, 5 seconds) to complete its last lap, the latter cannot be taken into consideration when computing the distance covered by the car involved.

"The Ferrari car No. 4, due to mechanical difficulties took 12 minutes, 6.2 seconds to complete its last (39th) lap. Hence, the last lap must be discounted. This decision causes the Lotus No. 10 to be awarded fifth place and Ferrari No. 4 reverts to sixth place."



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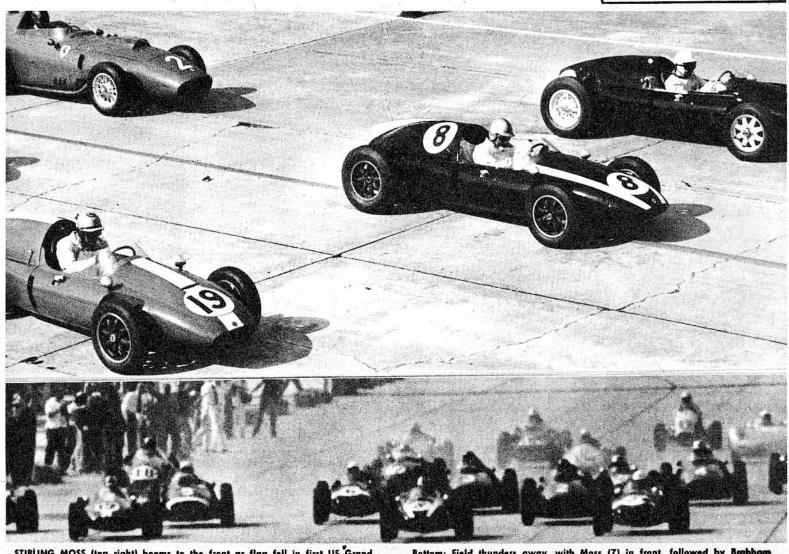
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STIRLING MOSS (top right) booms to the front as flag fell in first US Grand Prix at Sebring, Fla. Others in front row are Harry Schell (left) and Jack Brabham. All are Cooper-Climaxes. Tony Brooks' Ferrari is in second row.

Bottom: Field thunders away, with Moss (7) in front, followed by Brabham (8). Brooks (2) is between them, and Maurice Trintignant (6) is to the left of Brabham. (MOTORACING photo by Gus V. Vignolle).

U. S. GRAND PRIX RACING CHART

# M'Laren Captures GP; m 4th - No Fuel

BY GUS V. VIGNOLLE MOTORACING Staff Writer

SEBRING, Fla., Dec. 12 - Two handsome members of the fading British Empire figured here today in the first United States Grand Prix road race.

Bruce McLaren, 22, of Aukland, New Zealand, won his first Grand Prix after the leader from the sixth lap, Jack Brabham, of Sydney, Australia, ran out of gas on the last lap and finished fourth.

The setting was tremendous here on this cold, windy day that wound up with a deluge shortly after the race was over.

The world drivers' championship was to be decided. Brabham was on top, but either Stirling Moss or Tony Brooks of England could have snared the bauble.

Moss, who is horribly hard on machinery, completed only five laps. Brooks, a London dentist who impressed this observer tremendously, finished third to lead the Ferrari contingent. That left him

Coopers Score

Both McLaren and Brabham drove rear-engined factory Cooper-Climaxes.

McLaren averaged 98.83mph for the 218.4-mile race around 42 laps of this killing 5.2-mile airport

He won by only one second over the stoic little Frenchman, Maurice Trintignant, also driving a Cooper-Climax

Then, still in the same 42nd lap, came Brooks and Brabham. Three laps behind, in fifth place, was Count Wolfgang von Trips, of Germany, in a Ferrari, followed by Innes Ireland, of Scotland, in a Lotus, and Harry Blanchard, of Greenwich, Conn., in a Porsche single-seater, the only American

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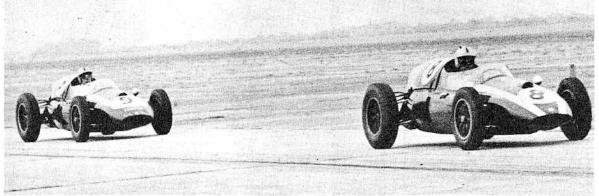
BY HENRY N. MANNEY III MOTORACING Staff Writer

SEBRING, Fla., Dec. 12 - As a venture into the unexplored field of Grand Prix racing in the U.S., the GP at Sebring was hardly a smashing success money-crowd or spectacle-wise but it did provide the all-important thin end of the wedge towards European participation. How then did it fall short of expectations?

Surely there were enough interesting entries and name drivers (with only the spear-carrier BRM and Aston Martin teams absent) to guarantee a rousing turnout, with the added attraction of Rodger Ward's giant-killing midget. Yet there was not the attendance (Continued on Page 10)



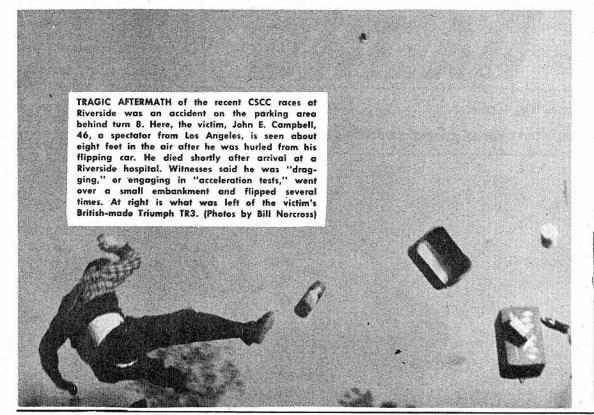
AT SEBRING FRONT-Henry N. Manney, III (left), MOTORACING'S European correspondent, and R. B. Bensted-Smith, writer for THE MOTOR of London.



HERE IS the way it was for almost all of the US Grand Prix. Jack Brabham's factory Cooper leads Bruce McLaren, who was waved to the front when Brabham ran out of gas on

last lap. If was as though Brabham was towing McLaren.
[MOTORACING photo by Gus V. Vignolle)

# Speeding Spectator Killed at Riverside Races





WINNER OF CSCC main event at Riverside was Bill Krause, shown leading the pack approaching turn 7 in Corvette-

powered Mercedes. Following are Bob Drake, Maserati, and Dick Morgensen, Ferrari. (Photo by Robert P. Tronolone).

# Krause Winner; Posts New Mark at Riverside

BY W.R.C. SHEDENHELM MOTORACING Staff Writer

RIVERSIDE, Calif., Dec. 6-Bill Krause drove a newly-rebuilt Corvette-powered, ex-Chuck Porter Mercedes-Chevy Special to a decisive win today, setting a course record, with an average 89.5mph for the 20-lap, 65.5-mile main event. The previous course record was set by Phil Hill, at last Octob Grand Prix, at 89.03mph In Saturday's Main, Krause averaged an even faster 89.7mph during the 6-lap, 19.7-mile event.

With many of the West Coast name drivers in Nassau and Sebring, the top competition for Krause came from Max Balchowsky in his Buick-engined "Ole Yaller Mk. II" and restaurauteer Bob Drake in a new new 2.8 liter "birdcage" Maserati. Balchowsky pitted early in the race with tire and suspension trouble, leaving Drake, in the relatively small-engined Maser to finish 52 seconds behind young Krause.

Dick Morgensen was third in his Ferrari Testa Rossa.

No Stroking It

Even when Krause was assured an easy first overall, he kept his foot well into the firewall, turning repeated laps with impressive consistency. At the midpoint in the 20-lap race, Krause was clocked through the timing traps on the long back straight at exactly (Continued on Page 9)

BY MARIE DIXON

CSCC - DEC. 5-6

RIVERSIDE—Vince Mayell arrived at the track at noon Sat. with a couple of banged up cars. While towing his Corv. thru wind conditions he suddenly drove into a sand drift. Just inside ly drove into a sand dritt. Just inside the (sand) curtain was an accident and Vince hit a stopped car. The front end of his tow car was bent and the Corv. jumped the trailer and tore up some fiberglass.

T. K. Johnson brought his MGA from Sacramento anxious for a good go at Riverside. After 3 laps of practice he was finished for the week end with no oil pressure and a flat tire. He's still wondering who lost the piece of piston that punctured his tire.

Before practice on Sat. Maurice Coleman discovered a broken axle on his F3 and became a spectator. On Sun., magneto trouble kept him from getting on the course the course.

Factory specs on the new 2.8 Maser were, weight 1200 lbs. with 265 horses.

Bob Drake reported the wt. closer to 1400 lbs. with approximately 230 horses. Bob is very enthusiastic about the car but is playing it cool until he gets to know it.

Talking about being enthusiastic—many peope were about Ed Freutel's Stanguellini. Formula Jr's. going to GO, GO, GO!!

GO, GO, GO!!

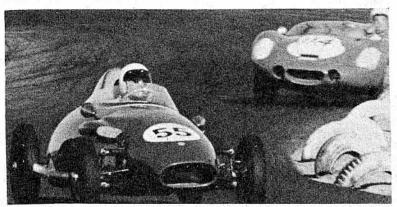
A bent front suspension was lerry Ostland's trouble after he rode the rail thru' turn 9 in Sat. practice. Parts came from L.A. Sun. morning and the TR3 was ready in time for his race. Jerry had a smile from ear to ear after he won his class. Now that he's broken his jinx with CSCC he'll quit racing. There was no racing for Mark Cummings after he hit the guard rail in turn 1 and went off the course in his Cm spl. Besides a lot of bent metal, he

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BOB DRAKE racing to second place at Riverside Raceway in the 2.8 birdcage Maserati. (Photo by Robert P. Tronolone).



ED FREUTEL winning the formula and modified-under 1000cc race at Riverside in potent Stanguellini formula junior. Leaving turn 8 here, he is followed by Bill Wood's Panhard. (Photo by Bill Norcross).

California Sports Car Club Riverside Sports Car Races, Riverside Raceway, 3.275 mile asphalt road course. Sunday Dec. 6, 1959. First 10 places and class winners only in production races.

RACE 8-PROD. G & H not qual. for Race 10, 8 laps, 26.2 mi., time 22:16

	SEC			
POS.	BEHIND			177
1		Grossman, D.	AH Sprite	1H
2	1	Webb, I.	D-B Cpe.	2H
3	21	Honeter, J.	MGTF	1G
4	22	Pickering, R	AH Sprite	3H 4H
-	25	Cunningham, P.	AH Sprite	
c	38	Stephenson, H.	Figt Ab. Spy.	1 I 5H
2	39	Thompson, J.	AH Sprite	5H
6		Neuman, N.	AR Sprint	2G
8	51		AH Sprint	6H
9	52	Randolph, L. E.		7H
10	89	St. Hilaire, L.	AH Sprinte	/11

RACE 9-PROD. D. E & F not qual. for Race 10, 8 laps, 26.2mi; time 20.47;

avg.	75.7 mph.	30 ntries		
1		Windhorst, B.	AH 100S	1D
2	9	Kunkle, P.	AC Bristol	2D 1F
3	43	Milana, T.	Alfa Su. Spy.	
4	52	Ostland, J.	TR3	1E
5	55	Greycloud, A.	MGA	ZE
6	58	Sharman, D.	MGA	2E 2F 3F
7	58.5	Nelson, C.	Elva Courier	4F
8	60	Gates, C.	Por. Spd.	5F
9	61	Elms, R.	MGA	6F
10	61.5	Atsatt. B.	Elva Courier	or

RACE 10-1st 7 cars from races 1, 2 and 3, and Class D from Race 4. 8 laps,

26.2mi., time 13	:50, avg. 79.3mph., 26 entr	169.	
1 2 1 3 4 4 5 5 24 6 28 7 29 8 44 9 45 10 46	Breskovich, J. O'Dell, R. Parkinson, J. Hills, J. Piolatto, B. Kessinger, C. Barker, E. Hathaway, R. Young, B. Towers, C.	AH 100S Por. Car. AH 3000 Per. Car. GT Por. Car. Spd. Alfa Su. Spd. Por. Spd. Alfa Vel. AC Bristol AC Bristol	1D 1E 2D 3D 2E 1F 2F 3F 4D 5D

RACE 11-PROD. B & C. 8 laps, 26.2mi., time 18:51, avg. 83.3mph., 11 entries.

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RACE 12—FORMULA & MODIF. UNDER 1000cc, 10 laps, 32.7mi., time 25.53, vg. 76.0mph., 19 entries.

	g. / 0.0 m.p			
1 2	10	Freutel, E., Jr. Parkinson, J.	Stanguellini Fiat Ab.	1FJ 1H 2H
2	52	Wood, B.	Panhard	2H
3	84	Ross, J.	Lotus Cli.	3H
2			AH Sprite	1G
5	85	Ling, J.	MG Spec.	2FJ
6	90	Simon, H.		4H
7	143	Tholen, D.	Crosley Spl.	411
Q	1L23	Starbuck, J.	Moretti	- 5H 6H
0	106	Scott, F.	Devin Cros.	6H
3			Crosley Spl.	7H
10	180	Snow, R.		1F3
11	2L123	Quivey, B.	Jap. Spl.	8H
12	4L135	Cunningham, B.	Morretti	
12	ET 20	Cmith F	Miller Spl.	9H

DNF: Jones, H., Lotus Cros.; Molle, W., Panhard; Wheeler, B., DB Panhard; Peterson, G.; Roth R., Cooper Norton; Weber C., Form III. (Continued on Page 5)

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# Galore on Nassau Race Front



ROARING ACTION—The field thunders off in Le Mans-type start for the big Nassau Trophy sports car race in the Bahamas. Front row, from left: Richie Ginther, Ferrari; Pedro Rodriguez, Ferrari, and Gaston Andrey, Maserati. At this point Andrey has already twice pranged Rodriguez' car.

later belted him again, causing the Mexican boy to spin out at turn 2. Third from left in second row is Phil Hill, who took second in Ferrari. (Photo by Bahamas News Bureau).



GEORGE CONSTANTINE blazes to victory in 4.2 Aston Martinto win \$11,000 in Nassau Trophy race.

(Photo by Bahamas News Bureau)



JIM YAMANE, Japanese-American from Hollywood, Calif., won first annual international Grand Prix for karts at Nassau. He averaged 44.139mph for 100lap 50-miler, won \$2000. He built racer himself. Presenting trophy is Sir Sydney Oakes, president of the Bahamas Automobile Club.

# **Nassau Trophy** Road Race Worth \$31,000

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8 Art Bunker
9 Phil Hill
10 Sam Weiss

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REX WOODGATE of Aston Martin (checkered cap) is one of first to congratulate popular George Constantine following his victory at Nassau. (Photo by Bahamas News Bureau).

# Constant **CISSCIL**

BY GUS V. VIGNOLLE **MOTORACING Staff Writer** 

NASSAU, Bahamas, Dec. 6-Here in the gloaming as the tropic darkness sets in, an eastern driver at long last wins the sixth annual inter-

national Nassau Trophy sports car race.

It is an overwhelmingly popular victory for a very well-liked driver—
George Constantine, 41-year-old grandfather and public relations man from Southbridge, Mass. He drove a 4.2 Aston Martin DBR2 and averaged 87.26mph for 49 laps around the rugged 4.5-mile, 18-curve Oakes Field course

The 220.5-mile race was shortened seven laps because of the fast-

falling tropic darkness.

Constantine won by 31 seconds over Phil Hill, and his victory is well-deserved. Where others had to stop for fuel and tires, he did not

make a pit stop. George led from the 37th lap.

Hill should have won his second Nassau Trophy race in Eleanor von Neumann's 3-liter Ferrari, the one Hill drove to victory at Riverside last October. More on this aspect of it later.

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# SLIGHTLY By W. R. C. Shedenhelm

HO, HO HO and a bottle of gin! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each and every sports car fan with his or her little red pig eyes sparkling with yuletide spirits.

Gee, it has been a great year, really, what with a lot of jazzy races, with the pros taking a more sensible approach to the sporty cars, with yr obt svt shaving his beard, thereby, finding undreamed-of chins and gaining a wife semehow in the whole proceedings. Just goes to show you where leading a clean, healthful life will lead one.

### Sebring Rumor

We have heard from our tremendously widespread network of spies and otherwise questionable friends that one of the drivers at Sebring entered a dirt track midget. The car was brought to the course on a trailer, of course. The car ran the qualifying laps, but on race day sat in the pits the entire race. The driver stayed in the car, with a swell view of the race, pretending to be fiddling with it. Worked the hand pressure pump like mad every so often. He really only wanted the good seat. Didn't even have fuel in the tank. Special tube into the cockpit. Hand pump pressured the tank. Tank full of gin. Drive also tanked. Tanks for nothing.

### Oh, Rally Now

Did we ever tell you about the rally we went on in Oklahoma Well, sir or madame as the case may be, just you pull up that drum of nitro and sit down. It seems somehow that we managed to miss the first turn, leaving the parking lot. The trouble was that all the instructions still fit, in a manner of speaking. Didn't see another sporty car for hours, which made us pretty smug, knowing that we were the only ones who were following the correct route.

Ended up in the Norman, Oklahoma, city dump with the next instruction reading, "Turn right." Being a bit adverse to garbage, we gave up and opened the emergency envelope. We were only 5 miles south of the end point, which was, strictly for the records, in the city dump in Edwards, Oklahoma.

Well, actually it wasn't a city dump, it was a private dump. Horrid place. Even the bugs had bugs. Men's room was so small that even the proverbial mice were hunchbacked. When anyone cpened the door, wow! Coldest door knob we ever felt.

### Romance Afar

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## PACIFIC COAST **Point Standings**

By ERIC HAUSER

The first order of business in my report of final standings for the 1959 racing season on the West Coast is to thank all of the drivers for their sportsmanship, courtesy, and forebearance in the instances where I have been in error in reporting their points. It is gratifying to be able to state that there has been not a single example of irascibility on the part of drivers whost point standings had been incorrectly reported. To those drivers I can only say that I am truly sorry, and that I will attempt to do a more accurate job next year.

The method of scoring will be changed next year in an attempt to improve the scoring technique. A driver will receive one point for every driver he beats in his own class or in a faster class. I think it is logical to assume that it is more difficult to win a race with thirty cars entered than it is to win with only ten cars entered in the race. It therefore seems to follow that the winner of the race with a thirty car entry should receive a proportionately greater point award. I also intend to list the top six drivers in each category instead of only five, as was the case during this past year.

Here are the final results for 1959. I have taken the liberty of adding the names of drivers who, although they failed to make the list this year, have demonstrated enough ability to warrant an honcrable mention as my candidates for listed ranking in 1960.

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2.	Kei	Miles		Porsche	RSK	85
		y Glyer		2.0 Ferr	ari	54
4.	D. D	Michelm	ore	Porsche	RS	46
		Chamberl				32
6.	lack	McAfee		Porsche	RSK	25
		k Cornett		Chuck	Parsons	

### Class F Modified Cooper-Climax Porsche RS 1. Bob Drake

3. Joe Playan	Porsche RS 2
4. Don Wester 5. Bill Leyden	Porsche 550 2
6. C. S. Howard	Porsche RSK 2
Emil Pardee	Scooter Patrick
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1. Art Snyder	Lotus 1
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2. Frank Monise	Lotus	
3. Iim Lowe	Lotus	6
4. Stan Peterson	Lotus	2
5. lack Reddish .	Lotus	2
5. Marion Lowe	Lotus	2
6. Kurt Noumann	Lotus	1
Ed Leslie	Steve	McQueen

### Clare H Medified

Cluss II	Modified	
Harry Jones	Lotus-Crosley	104
Bill Molle	Frehld-Pnhrd	73
Jim Parkinson	Fiat-Abarth	38
Bill Wood	Deutsch-Bonnet	23
Chuck Gounis	Crosley	20
Don Miller	Miller Spl.	18
Harry Eyerly	George Peterso	n

Class B	Production	
Bob Bondurant	Corvette	85
Vince Mayell	Corvette	62
Hugh Harn	Corvetto	43
A. Porterfield	Corvette	34
Dean Geddes	Corvette	28
Buford Lane	Corvette	27
Ray Altman	Corvette	24
Bob Dickson	Bill Sturgis	
Tony Sattember		

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Jack Breskovich Jimmy Moore Bob Windhorst	A-H 100S Porsche GT A-H 100S	50 39 36
D. Michelmore	Porsche GT	32
Lew Spencer	AC Bristol	30
John Barneson	Porsche GT	24
Jay Hills Steve Herrick	Jim Parkinson	

### Class E Production

R. W. Kastner	Triumph	69
Ron O'Dell	Porsche C'r'r'a	57
Gary Beitel	Porsche	33
Ron Bucknum	Porsche	31
Henry Montonen	Porsche	26
George Snively	Austin Healey	24
Bob Piolatto		

### Class F Production

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1.	Frank Aldhous	Alfa Romeo	5
2.	Ron Hathaway	Alfa Romeo	3
3.	Ted Conrad	Porsche	3
	John Lumkin	MGA	- 2
	Ed Barker	Porsche	2
	Chuck Kessinger Steve Froines	Alfa Romeo	2

### Class G Production

	. John English	Alfa Romeo	68
2	2. Dick Hayward	Alfa Romeo	55
3	I. Jim Fouch	Alfa Romeo	35
4	. Steve Dredge	MG	29
	. Jack Rebney	Alia Romeo	24
8	. Bruce Augustus	Alfa Romeo	2
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2. P. Cunningham	A-H Sprite	52
3. Willie West	Fiat-Abarth	45
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5. D. Grossman	A-H Sprite	30
6. Ray Pickering	A-H Sprite	25

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3. Joan Galloway	Lotus s/c Corvette	25
4. Ginny Sims 5. Gail Liebaert	AC BRISTOL	15
6. Marie Dixon	Maserati Puth Doughke	14

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	Sunny Baker	Porsche	6
	Marion Lowe	Lotus	3
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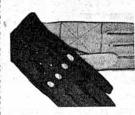
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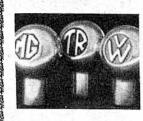
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# McLaren Wins Grand Prix At Sebring

(Continued from Page 1) to finish.

That's all there were — seven finishers out of a starting field of 18. And only five finished under their own power. Brabham had to push his mount across the finish

line, and so did von Trips.

No Cliff-Hanger

This was no cliff-hanger for a

This was no cliff-hanger for a crowd that was closer to 10,000 rather than the 15,000 announced by the promoter, Alec Ulmann.

Conditions were horrid — a wind plus smoke blasting right to the course from a brush fire near the town.

Brabham, who had nothing to worry about after Moss blew, developed a fuel leak on the last lap—about 500 yards from home. He waved McLaren on, got out and started pushing.

It was a brutal push. Trintignant and Brooks went by. It made no difference as far as the title was concerned, but he pushed and he pushed. He collapsed at the end, and it is a wonder that he revived, what with the crush of miserable photographers, legit and phonies, who wouldn't step back to give the man fresh air to breathe.

The story of the race is a simple one

At the start there was a helluva beef over Harry Schell (privately-entered Cooper-Climax) being on the front line. The slate called for Moss, Brabham and Brooks. . . and that was the way the qualifying times stood.

But apparently Schell, a colorful American who lives in Paris, had posted a faster time at the final qualifying session. He gesticulated wildly with officials at the starting grid. He was allowed on the front row.

### Terrific Start

McLaren got a tremendous start from the fourth row. He shot to the inside. In no time he was up with Moss, who blasted into the lead, and Brabham. And that was the way they came around the first time, with Hill, Ireland, Trintignant and Allison in pursuit.

On that first lap Brooks got a prang from his Ferrari teammate, von Trips, and he came into the pits. This proved exteremely costly and it knocked him back to 15th place

At the windup Brooks was three minutes off the pace.

But Brooks flew after that pit stop. By the ninth lap he was sixth, fifth on lap 24, fourth on lap 39, and third on the 42nd, when Brabham ran out of petrol.

Moss was barreling away, but he never came around for the sixth tour. The gearbox was kaput. He had a right to be a picture of dejection. Four times he had been runner-up to Fangio and Hawthorn. And this year he wasn't even second; Brabham, a quiet, good natured Aussie, earned his first title, and he was followed by

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	Jack Brabham, Australia	*1-9	2-5	3-4	1-8			3-4	4-3	31
	Tony Brooks, England	2-6		1-8		*1-9			3-4	27
	Stirling Moss, England		*-1	*-1	*2-6½		*1-9	1-3		25
	Phil Hill, U.S.A.	4-3		2-6		3-4		*2-7	.,	20
	M. Trintignant, France	3-4			5-2	4-3	4-3		*2-7	19
	Bruce McLaren, New Zea.	5-2		5-2	*3-4½				1-8	16
	Dan Gurney, U.S.A.	يلدا	-MC			2-6	3-4	4-3		13
	Joakim Bonnier, Sweden		1-8			5-2				10
	Masten Gregory, U.S.A.		3-4				2-6			10
)	Harry Schell, USA-France				4-3		5-2			5
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3	Jean Behra, France		5-2							2
1	Cliff Allison, England							5-2	-	2
,	W. Von Trips, Germany								5-2	2
	(Races: Monaco, Netherlands)	nas, E	urope,	Brita	in, Ge	rmany,	Porti	igal,	Italy a	nd

### 18 Cars On The Starting Grid at Sebring

out of eight races count.)

(Cooper-Climax) 3m. 11.2s (?)	JACK BRABHAM (Cooper-Climax) 3m. 03s	STIRLING MOSS (Cooper-Climax) 3m.
MAURICE TRINTIGNANT (Cooper-Climax) 3m. 06s		TONY BROOKS (Ferrari) 3m. 05.9s
PHIL HILL (Ferrari) 3m. 07.2s	(Ferrari) 3m. 06.8s	WOLFGANG VON TRIPS (Ferrari) 3m. 06.2s
BRUCE McLAREN (Cooper-Climax) 3m. 08.6s		INNES IRELAND (Lotus) 3m. 08.2s
BORIS SAID (Connaught) 3m. 27.3s	(Lotus) 3m. 13.8s	ROY SALVADORI (Cooper-Maserati) 3m. 12s
GEORGE CONSTANTINE (Cooper-Climax) 3m. 30.6s	A	LESSANDRO DETOMASO (OSCA) 3m. 28s
FRITZ D'OREY (Tec Mec-Maserati) 3m. 33.4s		HARRY BLANCHARD (Porsche 1500 F2) 3m. 32.7

RODGER WARD (Offenhauser Kurtis) 3m. 43.8

### 3m. 45.6

### RIVERSIDE RACE CHARTS

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2	2	Sims, G.	Corvette	1B
3	24	Windhorst, B	AH 1005	ID
4	24.5	Warren, A.	Alfa Su. Spy.	2F
5	58	Baker, S.	Porsche S Spd.	3F
6	62	Stadel, P.	Elva Courier	4F
7	84	Liebaert, G.	MGA doc	1 <b>E</b>
8	94	Taylor, N.	Lotus MG	5F
9	110	Widgren, N.	MB 300SL	10
10	126	Kimble, T.	Alfa Spy.	1G

DNF: Balchowsky, M., Buick Spl.; Harris, B.; 216, Pigott, J., Lotus Climax; Taylor, S., Lotus MG.

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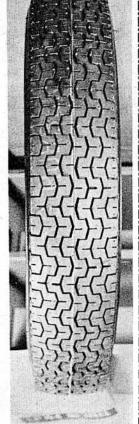
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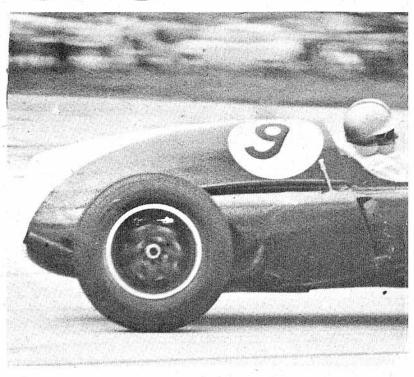


# MOTORACING Covers Highlights at Firs



OK, LET'S CLEAR THE GRID—Drivers, officials, reporters and photographers (phony and otherwise), freeloaders and hangers-on swarm the grid as the racers are wheeled on

the grid for the first US Grand Prix at Sebring. Note empty grandstand in background.



WINNER BRUCE McLAREN AT S

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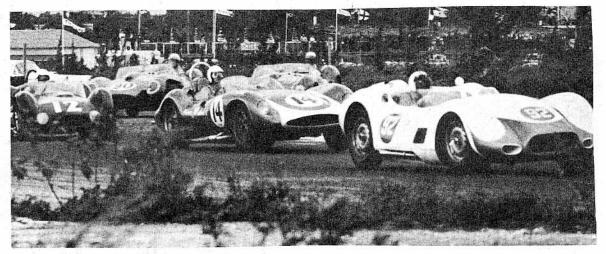


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SEBRING SIDELIGHTS—Top to bottom: Legit and Mickey Mouse cameras are trained on World Champion Jack Brabham as he is about to be paraded around course before GP; Stirling Moss obliges by giving his autograph to a feminine admirer. Man with furrowed brow at wheel of parade car is Donald Healey, the noted English car builder.

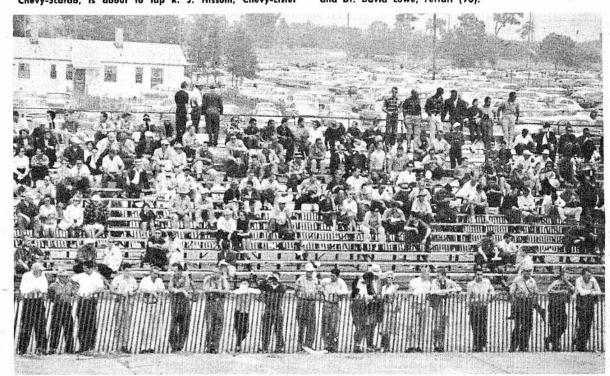


WORKING PRESS no doubt! At least they had press tags and are shown in restricted press area for Grand Prix at Sebring, Fla.



EARLY LEADER in Nassau Trophy race, Jim Jeffords (14), Chevy-Scarab, is about to lap R. J. Hissom, Chevy-Lister

(92). Following Jeffords are Loyal Katskee, Maserati (12), and Dr. David Lowe, Ferrari (90).



ALTHOUGHT ALEC ULMANN, the promoter, expected crowd of 40,000 at first US Grand Prix at Sebring, Fla., the turnout was much smaller as is attested by one of the half-filled

bleachers. Crowd was announced as 15,000, but seemed closer to 10,000.

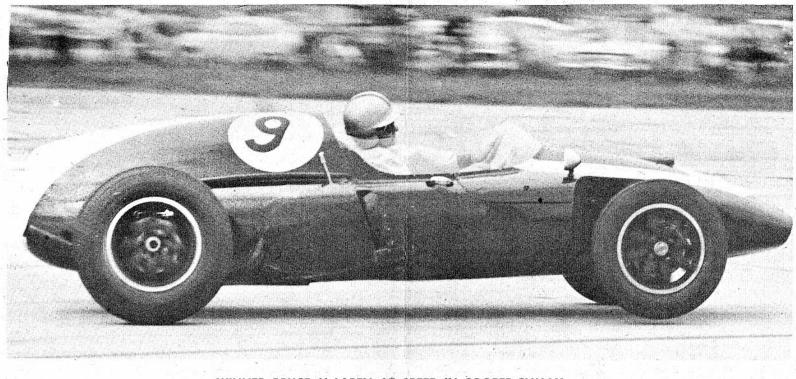


WALT HANSGEN wins first international "compact car" race in 3.4 Jaguar, a preliminary to the Grand Prix at Sebring.

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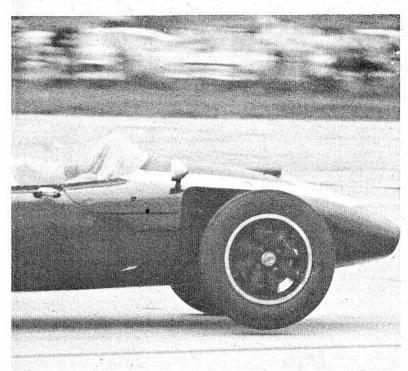


THE PRESS interviews Stirling Moss after gearbox trouble forced him out early in GP and ruined his hopes of winning world drivers' title.



WINNER BRUCE McLAREN AT SPEED IN COOPER-CLIMAX

# st U.S. Grand Prix and Nassau Classic

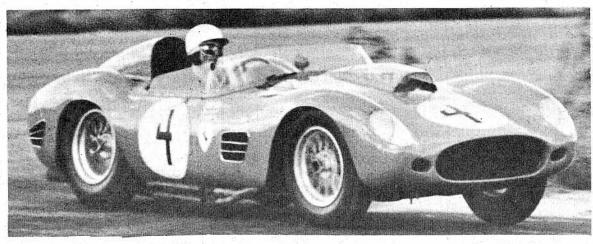


SPEED IN COOPER-CLIMAX

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FOLLOWING McLAREN, from top to bottom, were Maurice Trintignant, Cooper-Climax, 2nd; Tony Brooks, Ferrari, 3rd; Jack Brabham, Cooper-Climax, 4th, and Wolfgang von Trips, Ferrari, 5th.



SANTA MONICA'S Phil Hill racing to second place in Eleanor von Neumann's 3-litre Ferrari in rich Nassau Trophy race.

He finished 31 seconds behind George Constantine, Aston Martin.

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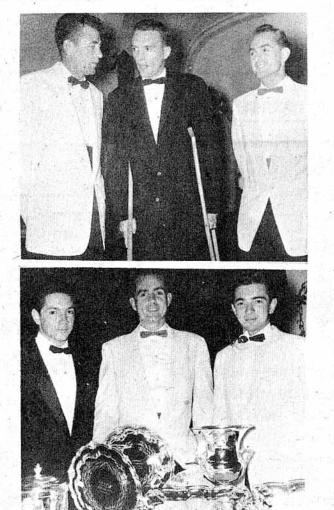




AT NASSAU Motor Ball (top) Stirling Moss, left, and Jack Brabham strike a pose. Lower: Charles Kirschhoffer, ex-Bugatti mechanic from Molsheim, and Signora Laura Ferrari, wife of the famous Italian car builder, Enzo. They were at the table of Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Rodriguez of Mexico City. Others at this table included Phil Hill, Donald Healey, Luigi Chinetti, Ricci Wade and Sr. Ing. Salvador Claveria.



BEHIND CONSTANTINE and Hill at Nassau came (from top to bottom) Bob Holbert, Porsche RSK, 3rd; Jack Brabham, Cooper Monaco, 4th, and Joakim Bonnier, Porsche RSK, 5th.

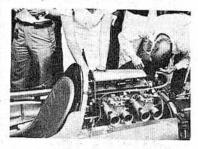


DRESSED TO the teeth (top) are, left to right, Carroll Shelby, Dan Gurney and Phil Hill at the sumptuous Motor Ball in Nassau. Gurney was struck by a kart the day before and suffered a broken foot. Bottom: Pedro Rodriguez, Jr., Hill and Ricardo Rodriguez with the silverware they won at Nassau. Ricardo's car was out of whack for the big race.



CHATTING before Nassau Trophy race are Count Wolfgang von Trips, left, and the Swedish champion, Joakim Bonnier. Both drove Porsches.

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LAST-MINUTE check of Harry Schell's rear-engined, privately-entered Cooper-Climax. He was out of GP after 6 laps with clutch bothers.

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### **CSCC POMONA** RACES OFF

The Calif. Sports Car Club is not going through with its scheduled races at Pomona on Jan. 23-24.

....Perry Peron, president of the club, said the races would not be held. He added parts of the Pomona Fairgrounds course (the drag strip section) was being paved.

# **SCCA** Races at **Palm Springs**

Entry blanks have been mailed out to six western states for the Palm Springs Sports Car Races, to be staged by LA region of SCCA, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 23 - 24

The Palm Springs event will be the first official Pacific Coast Championship race of 1960, and a full program of races is scheduled in all classes. Deadline for entries is January 12.

SATURDAY RESULTS AT RIVERSIDE

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AT RIVERSIDE

Saturday, Dec. 5, 1953

RACE 1—PROD. G & H, 6 laps, 19.65
mi., time 16:28, avg. 71.6mph: 1) D.
Hayward, Alfa Spyd; 2) J. Rebney, Alfa Giul. Spr., 3) B. Augustus, Alfa Giul.
Spr. CLASS G: Hayward, CLASS H: D.
Grossman, AH Sprite.

RACE 2—PROD. F, 6 laps, 19.65 mi.,
time 15.21, avg. 76.9mph: 1) C. Kessinger, Alfa Sup. Spd; 2) E. Barker,
Porsche Spdst; 3) F. Aldhous, Alfa
Sup. Spyd.

RACE 3—PROD. E, 6 laps, 19.65 mi.,
time 15:08, avg. 77.9 mph. 1) R. O'Dell
Porsche Carr; 2) B. Piolatto, Porsche
Carr. Spst.; 3) K. Swanson, MGA-tc.
RACE 4—PROD. B, C & D, 6 laps, 19.65
mi., time 14:10, avg. 83.2mph: 1) B.
Bondurant, Corvette; 2) V. Mayell, Corvette; 3) B. Sturgins, Ferrari Berlinetta. CLASS B: Bondurant; CLASS C;
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SEBRING, Fla., Dec. 12-Results "Compact" Sedan Race — 161.2 miles - 5.2-mile course. Winner's time: 2 hrs. 03 min. 44.6 sec. Winner's average speed: 78mph. Fastest lap: Hansgen, 3:55.2 (26th lap).

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7. Pedro Rodrigu	oz Volvo	2
8. Denise McClu	aggge Falco	2
9. Jeff Stevens,	Valiant	2
10. Geo. Constan	tine Corvair	2
11. Vern Bennett	Voivo	2
12. Fred Martin,	Valiant	2
13. Jack Ryan, V	lolkswagen	2
14. Joe Shappard	Rapier	2
15. George Smith	Rambler	2
16. Duncan Forle	ng SAAB	2
17. George Peck,	Rengult	2
18. Tom Terrell,		
19. Ray Saidel,	NSU	2:
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### SPEED-O-RAMA SET

SAN FRANCISCO-The SPEED-O-RAMA featuring custom, rod, and antique automobiles will be held March 18-27 here at Brooks Hall, ii was announced by Bob Bark-

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1000cc, 6 laps, 19.65 mi., time 15:30, avg. 76.1mph. 1) H. Jones, Lotus Crosley; 2) J. Parkinson, Fiat Abarth; 3) W. Molle, Panhard. CLASS G: J. Ling, Sebring Sprite; CLASS H: Jones; FORM. III: E. Quivey, JAP Spl.; FORM. JR.: E. Freutel, Stanguellini. RACE 6—WOMEN. 6 laps, 19.65 mi., time 15:18, avg. 77.1mph: 1) B. Shutes, Porsche Spst; 2) G. Sims, Corvette; 3) N. Taylor, Lotus MG. RACE 7—MODIF. OVER 1000cc, 6 laps, 19.65 mi., time 13:09, avg. 89.7mph: 1) B. Krause, Mercedes Corvette; 2) M. Balchowsky, Ole Yellar Mk. II; 3) B. Drake, Maserati 2.8. CLASS C: Krause; CLASS D: Drake; CLASS E: B. Challman, Lotus MG; CLASS F: D. D. Michelmore, Porsche RS; CLASS G: F. Monise, Lotus Climax.

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# Havana Beckons; No Guns, Please

BY MANUEL OTUMBA MOTORACING Staff Writer

HAVANA, Dec. 17-Aficionados, with a yen for real adventure, should start growing their beards now, don bullet proof vests and head for the Habana Hilton the week of Feb. 22-28.

The Cuban Automobile Club, with the support of the governmental Cuban Sports Department, has designated this as speed week. It also announces that barring kidnappings and successful counterrevolutions the FIA-sanctioned 3rd International Grand Prix de Cuba will come off.

The racing will not be on the beautiful waterfront Malecon course, site of the two previous colorful and tempestuous Grands Prix de Cuba, but on a new course on the demilitarized Columbia Air

### Four-Mile Course

The approximate four - mile course is located in the heart of Havana. The Castro government is said to have improved the old air field.

For the aficionados that punctuation already exists. They well remember how the great Fangio was

kidnapped and prevented from participating in the 2nd and last running of the Cuban Grand Prix in 1958 as part of the revolution then in progress.

Le Mans Start

The first Grand Prix de Cuba in 1957 is recalled, not for revolutions, but for the contest between Fangio and the late Marquis de Portago. It was won by Fangio in a 3-litre Maserati. Racing starts Feb. 24 and con-

cludes Sunday, Feb. 28, with the Cuba Trophy Race for sports cars. This international 300-mile race will have a Le Mans start.

will have a Le Mans start.

Some \$22,500 in prize money will be up for grabs. In sports car competition, the first five positions over 2,000 and the first four positions under 2,000 will linish in the money; Grand Turismo, first four positions over 2,000 and under. There will also be cash awards in the Formula Ir. competition.

Entries, by invitation, are being received through Feb. 3 at race head-quarters, Cuban Automobile Club, Habana Hilton Hotel, Habana. Members of the organizing committee include Capitan Felipe Guerra Matos, director of the Cuban Sports Dept., Lt. Calixto Marrero and Juan Garcia, with committee members Alfonso Gomez Mena and Kenneth Coleman heading the competition committee.

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Krause Booms To Riverside Victory

(Continued from Page 2) 155.17mph three laps in succession. Spectator Kills Self

Saturday's races were marred by the death of 46 year old John Earl Campbell, of Los Angeles, who was speeding his new TR-3 on one of the spectator access roads near turn 8, for the amusement of his wife and friends. Campbell locked his disc brakes at high speed, hit a patch of loose gravel, and shot over a 3-foot embankment. The TR-3 flipped, but the crash threw the un-seatbelted Campbell through the car's cloth top to his death. The car flipped several times and was destroyed.

Formula Jr. Wins The semi-main, for modified cars

under 1000cc and for Formula III and Formula Jr. cars, saw the first local appearance of the Stanguellini F-Jr, driven by Ed Freutel, board member of the CSCC. Jim Parkinson, in a modi-

fied Fiat Abarth took an early lead, but the superior handling of the Stanguellini, even with Freutel's unfamiliarity with the car, soon tcok the sleek Grand Prix car into the lead.

Molle Goofs

The Class H modified battle between Dr. William Molle (Fairchild Panhard) and Harry Jones (Lotus Crosley) came to a sudden end early in the race when they entered turn 6 side by side. Molle swept wide on the turn and Jones stayed close to the inner verge. When Molle recovered full control and cut back into the curve leaving turn 6, Jones ran smack into him, eliminating both cars from the race. Molle, after having gone on his side at Laguna Seca and on his head at Hour Glass, has announced his retirement from racing.

**Production Races** 

Both of the big production races were among the better of the day, yet the winner of neither was unexpected. Bob "Matinee" Bondurant drove his Corvette to a 1/2second win over Corvette driver Vince Mayell, followed by a recently-seldom-seen Ferrari Berlinetta and Dean Mears in the 300SL

Flying Jack Breskovich held the lead all the way in his race in his Austin Healey 100S, crossing the finish line a second ahead of Ron O'Dell's Porsche Carrera and 4 seconds ahead of Iim Parkinson in a new Austin Healey 3000.

### Windhorst Wins

The popular win of the race weekend was Bob Windhorst's first-time overall win in the D,E and F production race on Sunday. Barbara Windhorst, Bob's wife, was 3rd overall and 1st in class in the Women's Race in the same car. Betty Shutes was 1st, in her RS Spyder with Ginny Sims 2nd in a Corvette.

The races were staged by the Calif. Sports Car Club and drew a crowd of about 5000 spectators.

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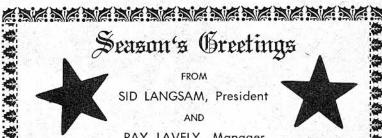
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that one finds at reasonably bigtime domestic sports car races and indeed, the crowd began to drift away as soon as a few laps had completed, a phenomenon rarely seen in Europe but perhaps

attributable to flying dust, smoke from a handy brush fire, extra charges added to a five dollar initial tab to enable one to visit other parts of the course, or perhaps the simple fact that Ward's gal-

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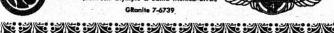
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### **Avaricious Town**

The reason for the rather low gate can but be surmised as certainly the occupants of that region, as well as fans from far afield have shown their readiness to turn up for the 12-hour sports car race in March. Perhaps as Christmas was so near, with its attendant expenses they did not feel like chancing their pocketbooks at the hands of Promoter Alec Ulmann or the avaricious town of Sebring, where hotel rooms go at four times their normal price and everything else follows suit. Of course the Saturday date made it difficult for some people to get away or maybe others were swayed by the pathetic traffic arrangements for leaving after the race. Even so, an authentic Grand Prix is rare over here and even in a district so far from large towns one would think that a really solid crowd would be dragged

As far as the race itself was concerned there was as much excitement as there is in most of the European events and certainly more than some. True, spectators were deprived of the hoped-for wheel to wheel battle between Moss, Brabham, and Brooks for the championship when first the latter was delayed by being shunted up the escape road by teammate von Trips and then Stirling retired on the sixth lap but there was constant interest provided by the Allison-Ireland dice, Ward's full-lock progress, the bitter battle between Trintignant and von Trips, and finally the intense drama when Brabham ran out of gas on the last lap.

### Processional? Yes

And if nothing else, one could watch the unparalleled skill with which these highly trained professional (excluding a few obvious nig-nogs) negotiated the really tricky bits. Of course all this happened after the people were already there but it could provide an incentive for next time. Of

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# PITSVII

(Continued from Page 2) bent the right rear wheel and snapped

bent the right tent was an axle.

On the last lap of race 1, Jan Safstom hit the guard rail in turn 9 and bent the left front wheel on his TD.

Jim Thompson dropped out of the same race when the oil in his Sprite dropped to nothing.

After hitting the bank on turn 7 Dave Jordan retired his Porsche 1600 for the week end.

week end.
...Norm Richardson's TR3 was a DNF
both days. Sat. the clutch was sticking
and Sun. the car overheated.
Dick Bame pulled his MGA into the

course the race got a bit processional at times but look at the GP of Portugal — which was a Moss parade, start to finish -, the last half of the Italian GP, ditto the German GP, French GP, and most of that sacred cow Le Mans.

Naturally enough the airportcum-access road circuit, being rather flat and featureless, is rather off-putting to driver and spectator alike, but after all, both Silverstone and Goodwood are airport courses, even if a bit tidier. 3-Week Season

I suppose that it could be said that the next try should be improved on several counts if our cherished dream of a full-scale Grand Prix interchange between Europe and the USA is to be realized. As shipping cars and their attendant clobber across the ocean is so expensive, perhaps some sort of three-week season, with one contest each in the east, middle west, and California would be more practical and certainly more remunerative to all concerned.

Certainly the races themselves should be held near major centers of population and not in the Turkestan of Florida. Also really national publicity must be organized . . . as possibly this time it was not, . . well in advance to enable all concerned to ready themselves. Perhaps then will enough interest be aroused to put Grand Prix in the United States on a big league basis.

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degrees. Turned out to be a faulty gauge.

The drivers of the 2nd race experienced quite a bit of trouble due to the strong gusts of wind. After the cars were on the starting grid for race 3 a special drivers' meeting was called (1:20 PM) and it was decided to call the race temporarily to see if the wind would calm down. If not, racing would resume at 9AM Sun. At 1:45 the drivers were re-called to the grid and the race was flagged off at 1:50 PM.

Tom Hatfield went out on turn 8 in his Austin Healey with enough mechanical trouble to keep him out the rest of the week end.

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"Kas" Kastner finished 4th overall with a non-functional cam in his TR3. On Sun, he finished 4th in class with the cam shaft lobe worn off.

A loud noise drove Bob Windhorst to the pits in the 4th race. He was unable to find the difficulty after pulling the head on the 100S Healey and so replaced it (the head that is).

On the first lap in race 5 Emery Smith retired his Cros. Spec. with the engine missing badly.

In the same race Roll Roth retired with a disconnected fuel line, Chuck Weber had magneto trouble and Chuck Nerpel had a fuel leak. All were driving F3.

The women's race had a very excit-

Nerpel had a fuel leak. All were driving F3.

The women's race had a very exciting finish for third place. Sunnie Baker drove her Porsche deep into turn 9 and passed Nora Taylor in her Lotus. She held it all the way and had a good line coming out. Nora stuck her foot in the carbs, and re-passed Sunnie by the skin of her tires for the checkered. In Sat. main Bob Harris retired the Campbell Spec. with oided plugs (new rings didn't seat). In Suday's main he burned a bearing out of the clutch.

As the first race for Sun. rolled up to the grid I think most everyone was giving thanks for the change in weather. Duane Jones got his TC in line to go but found he couldn't start with a hole in the side of his engine, the crank broke.

If you didn't see race 9 on Sun. shame on you. It was the most exciting of the week end.
In the 10th race Mark Sanders flip-

In the lith race Mark Sanders liped his Alfa in turn 5 on the first lap. Sanders wasn't hut but the Alfa has new lines. In the same race, car No. 6 hit the bank on turn 6 on the 6th lap. The result was a pretty sad looking AC, with owner Pete Haywood looking even gadder.

The semi-main started off with a bang when the 2nd and 3rd place cars spun on the 1st lap in turn 6. Bill Molle lost it first in his Panhard and was out with a bent wheel. Harry Jones lost control trying to avoid Molle and eventually retired with his fender rubbing the tire. On the 4th lap Bill Wheeler dropped from the race after he tangled with the guard rail at turn 6.

In Sun. main, with one lap to go. Carlyle Blackwell was running 4th overall when he lost a bearing in the left rear wheel. He made it around again finishing 6th over and 3rd in class. The semi-main started off with a bang

class.

Max Balchowsky pulled his Buick
Spl. into the pits on the 14th lap with
a blistered tire. Sam Taylor retired his
Lotus with a crack in the intake mani-

# **Gurney Signs**

Dan Gurney, of Riverside, Calif., the find of the season as a Ferrari factory driver for the first time in 1959, will drive for the British BRM team in 1960.

Who he will drive for in sports cars is unknown at present.

On the BRM team he will be No. 2 behind Joakim Bonnier, the Swedish champion. Graham Hill, formerly with Lotus, completes the BRM team.

Hill will race for Porsche in sports cars. Rest of the Porsche factory team includes Count Wolfgang von Trips and Edgar Barth.

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## **NASSAU RACE**

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After Hill came Bob Holbert, Warrington, Pa., who turned a remarkable ride in a 1600 Porsche RSK. Fourth went to world champion (F1) Jack Brabham, of Australia, in a 2-liter Cooper Monaco. The Swedish champion, Joakim Bonnier, Stockholm, was fifth in a 1500 Porsche RSK.

Sixth was Harry Blanchard, Greenwich, Conn., 1500 Porsche RSK; seventh, Jim Jeffords, Milwaukee, 5.5 Chevy-Scarab; eight, Count Wolfgang von Trips, Germany, 1600 Porsche; ninth, Alan Connell, Ft. Worth, 4.1 Ferrari; 10th Dick Thompson, Washington, D. C., 4.6 Sting Ray Spl.

The first six places finished in the same lap. Seventh through 10th were one lap behind.

\$31,000 Race

The race was worth \$31,000, including \$8,000 in starting scratch, and it was quite a financial plum tor Constantine and the car owner, Elisha Walker, New York City stockbroker.

First prize was worth \$11,000-\$7,500 plus \$2,000 (Shell Oil), \$1,000 (KLG spark plugs), and \$500 for class C win. Complete prize list for the race appears elsewhere in this issue.

The Hill bit was tough, but that's part of racing. He was second by 31 seconds after losing 50 seconds when he was knocked out on turn 2 on the ninth lap.

A rear-view mirror made faulty by the suspension prevented his good friend, Denise McCluggage from seeing Hill in time as he bore down to pass her. She thought he was going by on the inside-but he didn't.

His wheels locked and he went into a tremendous side skid, winding up 35 feet off the course. Hill lost 30 seconds backing out, then another 20 when he made a pit stop to see if the tires were OK.

Additionally, pit management was below par. Until the 45th lap -four before the finish-Hill did not receive a single pit signal. On the 45th they gave him the sign--21," (minus 21 seconds) and waved him on furiously.

Eleanor Furious

The difference in cash between first and second was about \$7,000. . no wonder Eleanor was furious! This same turn two, a lap or so after, also was the undoing of 19year-old Pedro Rodriguez of Mexico City: Gaston Andrey, the early leader in a 2-liter Maserati, clouted the rear of Pedro's 4.1 Ferrari. He wound up in the boondocks, where Hill had been. It took him 10 minutes to back out. At the time he was second overall behind Jeffords' Scarab.

Pedro still finished 12th overall and second in class. It was this same Andrey who pranged Rodriguez twice in the LeMans-type start.

The big attractions, of course, were Stirling Moss, in a 4.2 Aston Martin, and Brabham.

Moss, who isn't famous for being easy on machinery, took over the lead on the seventh lap, pitted one lap later to check a hastily-repaired gas tank that earlier made it doubtful the Aston would be a starter.

50-Second Stop

He dropped about 15 places, but worked his way back up into contention. Moss pulled in for gas and tires on the 28th and was away in less than 50 seconds.

On the 34th he was back in second, passing Constantine and trailing the blazing Andrey. Moss came in on the 35th after having spun on the backstretch. He was out for good. Gas was pouring from the rear of the Aston.

Brabham, as has been the case all season with the Cooper-Climax in Grand Prix driving, was steady and consistent all the way. He was handicapped, too, by injuries suffered here yesterday when a stone bounced into his face, smashing his goggles.

Through all of this, Constantine was right in the midst of contention. He was never too far off the

Andrey In Front

At the end of 10 it was Andrey, Rodriguez, Jeffords, Richie Ginther (in Eleanor von Neumann's 4.1 Ferrari), Constantine, Thompson and Brabham. Richie stopped for

# **Vignettes**

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didn't lose a cent."

SMALL CROWD

They said the crowd was 15,000. I doubt if it exceeded 10,000, which is terrific for this town.

Let's be honest; the Grand Prix itself was not too hot. Eighteen cars started, and of the seven that finished only FIVE made it under their own power.

Four cars completed 42 laps, then the next two were three laps behind, and the seventh car was four laps behind!

But this is the most classic form of racing. It is splendorous even if it isn't nip and tuck. And the most remarkable thing after watching sports car racing in this country and others close by is that the Formula 1 cars go fast. They

It reminds me of a comment by the late Jean Behra of France at Riversidé two years ago. They asked him what he thought of Miles. With perfect candor he answered: "Yes, he's a fine driver, but he doesn't go fast."

And that's about the way you compare sports car racing with Formula 1 racing.

It's not cricket to compare a 218miler with a 12-hour race. Today, Bruce McLaren averaged 98.83mph in his Cooper-Climax; the record for the enduro is 86.66mph, set in '58 by Phil Hill and the late Peter Collins in a Ferrari. The lap reccrd today was 101.13mph, made by Maurice Trintignant's Cooper-Climax. The enduro lap record was set in '58 by Stirling Moss in an Aston Martin at 93.6mph.

And in practice the other day Moss turned a three-minute lap in a Cooper for a speed of 104mph.

These Formula 1 cars move! The Vanderbilt Cup races at the turn of the century drew from 200 to 300,000 people. Grands Prix in Europe draw up to 200,000 souls.

It will take years, but Grand Prix racing will take hold in these United States. The sport is titanic. How anybody can, clownlike, sit there and watch those squirrelcage oval races will always mystify this innocent bystander.

A comparison between road and track racing is more than odious.

\* \* Lance Reventlow was aroundin the press section.

Earlier, the report was that his new formula cars were not ready, which was the reason he did not go to Australia and New Zealand. But here they said the Grand Prix job was ready, and the reason it didn't race was because of differences with Ulmann over appearance money.

At a press party the other night, Ulmann popped off, embarrassing Rodger Ward and his midget. Then his flack cranked out an irrelevent handout saying road racing would degenerate because courses aidn't approximate normal highways. All the gab was on sports cars - and this had absolutely nothing to do with the next day's racing, which was Formula 1.

\* Conditions also were lousy at wondrous Nassau. It was cold. Prices were brutal. The hotel (Carlton House) was just about as bad as the Sebring Hotel . . . Nassau and Sebring again? . . . Never! . Nunca! . . . Jamais!

VOTE FOR COLEMAN

On the ballot for 1960 CSCC bd. of gov. are Alan Fordney, Rey Martinez, Frank Milne, Jack Nethercutt, Sr., John Robinson, Otto Zipper. Incumbents: Ed Barker, Sumner Bennett, Dave Bracken, Ray Frug, Frank Monise, Perry Peron.

A well-liked and hard-working chap who stands a fine chance to be elected as a write-in candidate is Walter Coleman. He has been the grid steward five of the eight years he's heen with the Cal Club. At Riverside, they got 125 signatures on a petition trying to get him

tires after 15 laps and became a DNF 10 laps later owing to gearbox malfunctioning. This machine has been more than a headache.

Although the scorers lost track of him, Carroll Shelby, Dallas, in a 2.8 "birdcage" Maserati, also was in shooting distance until he went kaput on the 31st with a broken rear end suspension tube.

# Sebring GP

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Brooks, Moss, Hill and Trintignant. Allison was a threat for more than half the race, holding down fourth behind Brabham, McLaren and Brooks on the 23rd lap, when he went out with a broken clutch. For a spell he and Ireland had quite a dice.

### Close Together

And while everyone was watching Brabham and McLaren - always separated by just a few car lengths and following an identical pattern going into the turnsvon Trips was having a duel with Trintignant, and, later with Brooks, who nailed him on the 39th lap.

Both Moss and Trintignant were driving for Rob Walker, so when the Britisher was forced out, he joined the French wine grower's pit and cheered him on. At this point (the 26th lap), Trintignant was 24 seconds behind Brabham.

Allison, in his Ferrari, was the only threat to Brabham and McLaren in the early stages, but after he went out, first von Trips moved into third, and then Trintignant, on the 24th.

### Cooper Worried

The Frenchman was flying and stayed in that slot until the last lap.

John Cooper of the factory was one worried and harried individual in the closing stages as Trintignant bore down on Brabham and McLaren.

Everybody and his brother figured Brabham a cinch. McLaren was driving to instructions and was in there for protection.

And then it happened. Brabham's Cooper had developed a fuel leak. Brimming with moxie, Jack pushed the car around two turns and into the homestretch.

They gave him a wild ovation. And he deserved it. The guy is a real champion—a distinct credit to the sport.

# **Ray Lands** Renault Post

Charles Ray has been appointed district sales manager for Renault, Inc. with headquarters in L.A., James A. Quesenberry, West Coast regional manager for the automobile company, announced today. Ray will be in charge of sales activities in Southern California, Arizona, Utah and Nevada. He succeeds Robert B. Jones, who has been placed in charge of Renault sales in the Wichita, Kans. area.

on the slate. This included all the name drivers and half of the present board.

An ex-driver, Walter knows the pilot's problems. He's also with SCCA, and one of his aims is to bring harmony between the two outfits. Remember Walter Coleman's name as a WRITE-IN candidate. MOTORACING's choices: Fordney, Martinez, Milne, Nethercutt, Robinson and Coleman (WRITE-IN).

### \* \$ \* FINANCIAL REPORT

What did the Times-Mirror charity races do last October at Riverside? Here are the figures and a comparison with the first one in 1958:

1958 1959 \$139,969.45 \$119,271. Gross Expenses 76,685.54 77,712. (65.16%) (54.79%) 63,283.91 41,559. Charity

The recent one took in \$111,805 in admissions. This figure, plus \$7,466 listed for "advertising and entry fees," made up the \$119,271 gross. Expenses were about the same, but it appears the crowd this year was much less than the 72,000 which the SnapperWrappers said attended the '58 race. It's hard to tell what the exact gate was because the tab was \$3 and \$4.

Once the ice had been broken and with only one really European big name driver this year (Stirling Moss-and he doesn't work cheaply), it was expected expenses would be lower, but, percentagewise, they were much higher, and charity got \$22,000 less, although

still a nice nudge.

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